

Amendment No. 3 to SB3112

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by adding the following new section immediately preceding the last section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION ____.

(a) The Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations ("TACIR") is directed to perform a study of the size, composition and selection of boards of commissioners of utility districts. TACIR shall also study the current provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307 and consider whether a new mechanism should be created which would permit changes concerning such boards to be handled locally rather than employing the present legislative method that requires amending the general bill by introducing general bills of local application directly affecting only one utility district. As part of its study, TACIR should consider whether alternative legislative methods should be developed and placed in the general law as options for local action, as well as incorporating a petition method to allow the subscribers to trigger an election for a change to the board. This study shall be conducted from TACIR's existing resources.

(b) All appropriate state departments and agencies shall provide assistance to TACIR. Groups representing utility districts shall be asked to provide information, analyses, and recommendations to TACIR.

(c) TACIR shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation or interim reports, to the One Hundred Third General Assembly no later than February 28, 2003.

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